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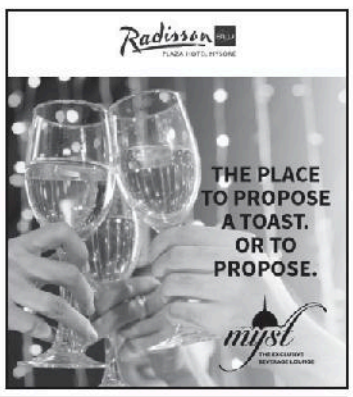

Expressway changes the face of travel between Mysuru and Bengaluru

KSRTC's e-bus service has over 1,000 daily happy customers

e-buses Vs fast trains

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- Fare till Majestic Bus Stand in Bengaluru: **Rs. 340**
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- **Vande Bharat Express:** From Rs. 500 to Rs. 700 (inclusive of meals)
- **Travel time:** Average two hours

By S.T. Ravikumar

Mysuru, May 21- The Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation's (KSRTC) intercity electric bus (e-bus) between Mysuru and Bengaluru on the Expressway built between the two cities has seen an overwhelming response from the passengers who are using the service with more frequency now.

The trial run of just one bus procured from a Hyderabad-based company under the Centre's Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Electric Vehicles (FAME) scheme began on Jan. 16 and due to an electric response, the KSRTC now has eight such buses plying on the route on a daily basis and all of them have 100 percent occupancy.

After the successful trial run, eight more buses were introduced on Mar. 21 and every day, these buses, each carrying 43 passengers per trip, cover 24 trips. The buses are called 'EV Power Plus'.

Every day, over 1,032 passengers take the bus and the monthly number has hit an average of 31,000 passengers.

The trips start from 6 am till 7 pm and as an advantage for travellers, the buses start from Mysuru's Sub-Urban Bus Stand and stop at Satellite Bus Stand on Mysuru Road in Bengaluru and the final destination is Majestic Bus Stand (Subhashnagar) in Bengaluru. While Rs. 320 per passenger is charged till the Satellite Bus Stand, Rs. 340 is charged till Majestic.

(See E-BUS on page 8)

Rowdy-sheeter's murder at Vontikoppal

Seven arrested; four still on the run

- All accused in the age group of 22 and 26
- Caught while partying at a farmhouse in Yelwal

Mysuru, May 21 (RK&BS)- The Mysuru City Police have made a breakthrough in the investigation into the murder of rowdy-sheeter Chandru (45), also known as Chandu, in Vontikoppal.

In the early morning hours of yesterday, a seven-member gang of suspects was arrested at a farmhouse in Yelwal. However, four other individuals involved in the case are still at large, prompting the Police to launch a manhunt to apprehend them.

The arrested have been identified as R. Yashwanth (alias Karjoora), aged 26 and a resident of Seventh Cross, Nimishamba Layout, Kuvempunagar, N. Mahesh, aged 23 and a resident of Kaduvina Kattehundi village in Chamarajanagar taluk, R. Preetham Gowda (alias Halappa), aged 25 and a resident of Fifth Cross, Fifth Main, Vinayaka Nagar in Mysuru, N. Sudeep, aged 22 and a resident of Seventh Cross, K.G. Koppal, Raghavendra, aged 21 and a resident of K.G. Koppal, Prashanth, aged 21 and a resident of Seventh Main, Vinayaka Nagar, and Arvind Sagar, aged 26 and a resident of Third Stage, Kuvempunagar.

The accused were produced before a judge in the afternoon and subsequently remanded to judicial custody. Surprisingly, all the accused are between the ages of 22 and 26 and have no criminal antecedents. Earlier, when there was a clash between two gangs, Chandru had allegedly warned the accused, enraged at which they bludgeoned him to death.

(See ARRESTED on page 8)

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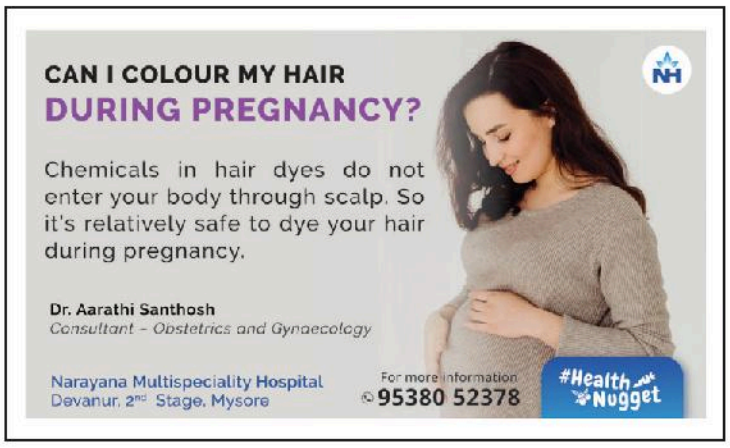
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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Sunday 21st May 2023

Applications invited for Diploma in Co-operative Management

Mysuru, May 21- Karnataka Institute of Co-operative Management, Sahakara Bhavan, Chamaraja Double Road, has invited applications from eligible candidates for admission to 6-month regular Diploma Course in Co-operative Management and from staff of Co-operative Institutions of Mysuru, Mandya and Chamarajanagar districts for admission to Diploma in Co-operative Management through Distance Education.

The candidates must have a minimum educational qualification of a pass in SSLC or equivalent for admission to regular course.

The interested candidates can obtain the prescribed application form at the Institute Office on Chamaraja Double Road, District Co-operative Union, Sahakara Bhavan, Chamaraja Double Road, Mysuru, Mandya District Co-operative Union, First Cross, Ashokanagar, Mandya and Chamarajanagar District Co-operative Union, District Administration Bhavan, Chamarajanagar.

For details, contact Ph: 0821-2520563 or Mob: 98456-95487 or 94490-75746 or 98459-18519, according to a press release.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

It's inevitable that we're faced with life's trials, at times unceasingly, it seems, as they hit our psyche one after another! Could be financial, ill health, relationship differences, deaths, mental stress, psychological trauma, or emotional trauma. It's natural to feel beleaguered if we're to cope with a string of sufferings, but being beaten by them could be a worse alternative.

Denial by withdrawing into oneself could only add to feeling a sense of hopelessness, similar to falling into a deep pit that has no escape. Reality shows that 'bravehearts' triumph over those who intensify their misery by going into despair with a probability of ending up beaten, morphing merely into their shell of existence rather than carrying on living by tackling troubles that besiege.

Facing battles alone is challenging, facing them with others can be trying too, with unwanted advice flowing freely from the mouths of those who aren't particularly concerned or connected in sorting out the issues that plague. It is tough to go it alone; hence, here's a nudge instead to pour out our woes into an understanding, trusted listening ear.

Overwhelming kindness flows in from unexpected quarters. It may not elicit solutions, but moving along with the tide, empathetic shoulders side by side, will lessen the feeling of being beaten when beleaguered. Compared to the woes of others, we oftentimes realise how petty ours are. Discarding self-centeredness for selflessness can be a panacea for a worn-out mind, body, heart and soul.

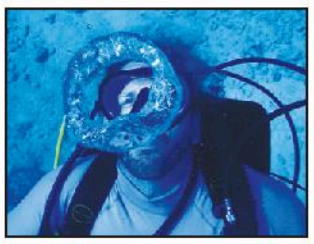
Getting rid of weariness and apathy with a determination to match the crux of the problem and ride the tide with it will enable and enhance our chances of seeing it through the storm in a calmer manner. Dealing with troubles one day at a time in a practical and patient way does diminish the enormous mountain of beleaguered apparitions that haunt us and prevent their conquering.

Consider the COVID pandemic, the wars, the plagues and cancers of other kinds interfering with our daily lives, yet in their midst, encouragement abounds from stories about heroes who've quelled their fears in real time to stay unbeaten. Death is a certainty, as is hardship in some way for all of us. Let's make up our minds when beleaguered by an apparent multitude of marathon-size obstacles to resist being beaten!

—Jacqueline Colaco in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Researcher breaks record for living underwater



Key Largo: Joseph Dituri, a University of South Florida Associate Professor, broke a world record for the longest time living underwater Saturday, when he marked his 74th day at Jules' Undersea Lodge in Key Largo.

Dubbed Project Neptune, Dituri's undersea adventure began on March 1 as a mission. On Saturday, he broke the previous world record for living underwater of 73 days set in 2014 by two Professors from Tennessee.

Along with raising awareness of marine research and conservation, Project Neptune is studying the physiological and psychological effects of compression on the human body.

Dituri plans to continue his underwater stay, with a goal of reaching 100 days.

Blind woman falls and regains sight

Florida: A 70-year-old woman in Florida who was been blind for over 20 years has regained her sight after falling over and hitting her head at her home, baffling her neurosurgeon who says it is a "true miracle".

Mary Ann Franco, gradually became blind after injuring her spine in a car accident in 1993. Then, more than two decades later, another accident and a subsequent operation appears to have led to the recovery of her sight, although doctors are still trying to work out how exactly this could have happened.

"My foot caught on a tile and it flipped me. I hit my head in the back and hit it on something else, maybe the fireplace," she said. After the fall, which took place in August 2015, she had to wear a neck brace until an operation a few weeks ago.

She was in hospital recovering from four hours of surgery on her neck when she came round from the anesthetic and realised her sight had returned.

HEALTH CAPSULE

The symptoms of urinary tract infection are burning in urine, frequent urination, passing blood in urine, lower abdomen pain associated with fever with chills.

By Dr. Dinesh Kumar T P - Consultant – Urology and Andrology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

National training prog. on Basic Indian Sign Language at AIISH

Mysuru, May 21- Centre for Augmentative and Alternative Communication & Sign Language, All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru, in collaboration with Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC), New Delhi, is organising a 3-day Short-Term Training Prog. on Basic Indian Sign Language (ISL) from May 24 to 26.

The resource persons are from ISLRTC, New Delhi, an institute focused on ISL teaching and research, under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India.

Speech Language Pathologists, Audiologists, Special Educators and students from various parts of the country will participate in the programme.

The programme has been given the status of Continuing Rehabilitation Education (CRE) programme by the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI).

The inaugural function will be held at 9.30 am in the Seminar Hall of Academic Block, AIISH, Mysuru. K.M. Gayathri, CEO, Zilla Panchayat, Mysuru, will be the chief guest.

B. Elangovan, Principal, JSS Polytechnic for Differently Abled, Mysuru, will be the guest of honour. Prof. M. Pushavathi, Director, AIISH, will preside.

For details, contact A.R. Keerthi, PRO, AIISH, on Mob: 98441-81080.

Qualifies for Natl. Yoga Olympiad

Mysuru, May 21- Students of Acharya Vidya Kula (AVK), Mysuru, participated in the Regional Yoga Olympiad conducted by the Council for The Indian School Certificate Examination (CISCE), New Delhi, at Vijayashree Public School in Bengaluru, recently.

Hemanth H. Salunke of VIII std., won the first place in the Junior Boys Category and **Adhya S. Nayak** of VI std., won the second position in the Junior Girls Category.

Hemanth *Adhya*

Both students are qualified for National Yoga Olympiad to be held at Kolkata later this month, according to a press release from AVK Principal B.T. Sarojini.

REALLY...?

- ***Not all snakes lay eggs: You might have learned in school that reptiles are different from mammals because they lay eggs. While we like to classify and categorise everything around us, nature has its own rules. While approximately 70% of snakes lay eggs, others don't. Snakes living in especially colder climates have live births because the eggs wouldn't survive outside.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher asked George: ***How can you prove the earth is round?***
George replied: ***I can't. Besides, I never said it was!***

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 82.83
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 103.10
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.55
1 Euro	= Rs. 89.63

VOICE OF THE READER

Extend Mysuru's air link to Coimbatore via Kochi

Sir,

Mysuru, known for its numerous air links to cities like Chennai, Hyderabad, Goa, Hubballi, and Kochi, has greatly benefited its industries and commercial businesses. However, it seems that the Civil Aviation Department has overlooked the need to extend these air connections to the nearby industrial city of Coimbatore.

Coimbatore, already equipped with a fully functional airport, shares a strong business connection with Mysuru in various industries such as hosiery, carpets, motor pumps, and engineering tools.

Moreover, Coimbatore serves as a gateway to the renowned temples of South India, as well as housing significant sugar factories like Bannari Amman Sugars. Additionally, Coimbatore attracts tourists who visit popular destinations such as the Isha Foundation and the Yercaud Hill Station.

Given the abundant potential for business and industry in Coimbatore and its proximity to Mysuru, it is crucial to consider leveraging these resources to foster the development of Mysuru by establishing air connectivity between the two cities.

Furthermore, the introduction of an air route from Mysuru to Coimbatore can be planned in conjunction with the existing air link to Kochi, thereby maximising business opportunities.

Currently, transportation via buses and cars on the Sathyamangalam Ghat Road is restricted during night-time hours (5 pm to 6 am) to protect the nearby forest and its wildlife. This restriction also applies to lorry transport, resulting in delays in cargo deliveries due to the imposed bottlenecks. Even passenger vehicles travelling through this area, which offers a convenient shortcut to destinations like Tirupur, Erode and Coimbatore, face difficulties due to the limitations imposed on their journey time.

The only available train option, the Kochiveli Express, proves to be inconvenient as it takes nearly 12 hours to reach Coimbatore from Mysuru.

Considering these circumstances and with a vision for overall development, I kindly request our MP Pratap Simha, to recommend to the Central Government the establishment of an air link between Mysuru and Coimbatore. It is essential to explore all possibilities for development and facilitate improved connectivity between these two important cities.

—K.V. Ramanath
Srirampura II Stage
19.5.2023

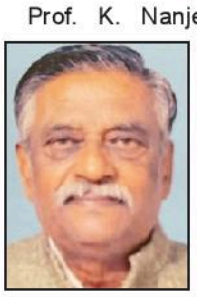
Obituary

Basheer Ahmed

Mysuru, May 21- Basheer Ahmed (70), a resident of 2nd Eidgah on B.T. Mill Road, passed away following brief illness in city yesterday.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held yesterday at Eidgah Masjid on Mission Hospital Road in Mandi Mohalla after Magrib Salath (6.30 pm) followed by the burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle.

Prof. K. Nanjegowda



Prof. K. Nanjegowda (75), retired Professor of Commerce Department at University of Mysore (UoM) and a resident of Saraswathipuram 7th Main Road, 5th Cross, passed away yesterday in city.

He had also served as the Syndicate Member of UoM, Dean and Head of the Department for 35 years and served as the Director of D. Banumaiah's College Post-Graduation Centre after his retirement. He was also the Founder-President of MACC Co-operative Bank.

A native of Guddalli in Channarayapatna taluk, he leaves behind his wife Yashodha, sons Pramod and Prashanth and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at K.G. Koppal Burial Grounds this morning.

Gurumallappa

Chamarajanagar: Gurumallappa (71), former Maleyuru Gram Panchayat Vice-President and a resident of Kethahalli village in the taluk, passed away following brief illness at the village. He leaves behind his wife, one son and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the family's farm land at the village yesterday afternoon.

Thousands attend a grand

Kodava Yuva Mela in Madikeri

Mysuru, May 21 (PS&BCT)- A grand 'Kodava Yuva Mela' was hosted by Jabboomi Charitable Trust at Crystal Court Hall in Madikeri yesterday that reflected the unique Kodava culture, attire, traditions and practices.

Such a Mela was held for the first time and thousands of community members, wearing their best traditional attire, had gathered from all parts of Kodagu and the gathering also comprised community members from Mysuru and Bengaluru. Special buses were arranged to ferry them to Madikeri.

The Mela provided a platform for youth to connect with one another to build long-term bonds which will enhance cohesiveness within the community. It enabled the Kodava youth to meet, greet and network with each other and recall, re-live and experience the tradition and culture.

Kodava youths are scattered across the State and country owing to professional, educational, residential and personal reasons. As a result, intra-community relations have weakened over decades. The only occasions when youth are able to interact with each other are limited to social and family get-togethers within Kodagu and beyond its borders.

The Mela began with a puja to Goddess Cauvery and 'Gejje Thand' (a sacred wand held by Kodava men during important events. It is usually sacred ownership of every Okka (family)) and the overall message to the youngsters was to unite and not to forget the traditions and culture of the motherland.

Jabboomi Charitable Trust Convener Chottekmada Rajiv Bopaiah said that the youths must not forget the roots of the community. "Kodagu, its uniqueness, culture, traditions and practices are like a 'mother root' and cannot be forgotten. "It is our duty to safeguard the Kodava soil (land), ethos, tradition, family values, age-old and time-tested practices, festivals and holy observations," he noted.

"We must be committed to preserving the tradition and fight for the existence of the Kodava community in the face of any adversities and at the same time unite the community socially, financially and culturally so that we can live in co-existence and facilitate the thriving of Kodavaame in the land of Kodagu," he added.

Noted youth achievers of the community Vice-President - Talent Acquisition, State Street Ajjamada Goutham Chengappa, chef Bariyanda Naren Thimmaiah, singer Machchanda Sharan Aiyappa, actors Ulliyada Bhuvan Ponnanna, Uddappanda Harshika Poonacha, Koothanda Tarak Ponnappa, IRS officer Dr. Kottangada Pemmaiah, Bharatanatyam exponent Mukkatira Shilpa Nanjappa, young writer Mevada Aliya Chondamma, make-up artist Baduvanda Madhushree Ganapathy, head of Lopamudra Medical Centre Mukkatira Dr. Amrit Nanaiah, industrialist Machcharanda Deepika Appaiah, planter Kallichanda Chengappa and forest officer Naganda Parvathi were felicitated.

A massive procession was held on the streets of Madikeri as part of the mela from the private bus stand to the Crystal Court Hall where the male community members carried their traditional weapons including guns and 'Odikathi' (sword), the female crowd sporting their traditional Kodava saree and the 'vasthra' (head scarf) and accompaniments like 'Thalithakki Bolcha' (traditional lamp). A lot of traditional bands too performed along the procession route attracting the crowd and tourists.

The statues of war heroes and Generals including Squadron Leader Ajjamada Boppayya Devayya, Major Mangerira Chinnappa Muthanna and General Kodandera Subayya Thimayya were garlanded along the procession route. Hundreds of youths rode their bikes along the procession route.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Power disruption

As Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has taken up first quarterly maintenance works at 66/11 KV Rajiv Nagar Power Distribution Centre, power supply will be disrupted in the following areas on May 23 between 10 am and 5.30 pm: Rajiv Nagar 2nd and 3rd Stage, Christian Colony, Yasin Masjid, S. Layout, Suryanarayan Temple Road, Albadar Masjid Circle, Ambedkar Bhavan Road, Cuba Masjid Circle, NH Hospital, Kamanakerehundi, KHB Layout, Asina Layout and surrounding areas.

Stress management camp from May 22

JSS Ayurveda Hospital, Lalithadripura Road, Alanahalli, Mysuru, is conducting Stress Management Camp from May 22 to 27. People suffering with various stress issues with symptoms like over thinking, unusual fear, lack of concentration, sleep disturbances, body aches, etc. may avail the benefits of the camp. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2548231 or 2548433 or Mob: 87228-21894.

Also, the Hospital is conducting another medical camp for neck and back pain from May 22 to 27. Patients with complaints of neck pain (cervical spondylosis), shoulder pain or frozen shoulder, back pain, disc protrusion/ prolapse, lumbar spondylosis and sciatica, may avail the benefit of the camp. The camp will be held between 9 am to 4.30 pm. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2548231 or 2548433 or Mob: 98441-36277, according to a press release from the Hospital Medical Superintendent.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80 feet
Today	:	84.22 feet
Yesterday	:	84.80 feet
Inflow	:	438 cusecs
Outflow	:	3,712 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,251.84 feet
Inflow	:	36 cusecs
Outflow	:	500 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,819.73 feet
Inflow	:	68 cusecs
Outflow	:	90 cusecs

Complaint, suggestion box in front of BJP booth Presidents' houses: MLA

Mysuru, May 21 (MTY&DM)- Maintaining that Complaints and Suggestions Box will be installed in front of the houses of the Booth Chiefs of all the 265 booths of KR Constituency, newly elected KR MLA T.S. Srivatsa said this is a novel measure aimed at addressing public grievances.

He was addressing the gathering at the thanksgiving ceremony for party workers organised at Rajendra Kalamandira here on Friday.

Pointing out that there is a need for a new system to prevent people from running around to public offices for getting their work done, Srivatsa asserted that he can be contacted directly at all times.

Observing that the BJP could register win in KR Constituency despite a Congress wave, because of organised work of party workers at the Booth and Ward levels, Srivatsa assured that all the problems of the Constituency would be appropriately addressed.

Promising that waste and debris problems at J.P. Nagar and along the Ring Road will be solved, he said that he will make all out efforts for inviting tenders for clearance of 7 lakh metric tons of waste collected at Excel Plant and the waste at Sewage Farm in Vidyaranyapuram.

Asserting that he was not a BJP ticket aspirant from KR, Srivatsa said that the party leadership gave him the ticket in accordance of the wishes of the party workers.

Highlighting the dirty tricks played by his opponents when the polling date neared, he said that a fake video and handbills were circulated in a bid to malign him just before the polls. But all this tricks went to waste with the voters caring little for them, he said adding that the credit of his victory goes entirely to the party workers who toiled hard day and night to ensure his victory.

Former MLA S.A. Ramdas said that though he was deeply disappointed for not getting the BJP ticket despite his achievements as KR MLA, he did not go against the party's decision and worked for the party candidate in the Assembly polls.

Maintaining that he cannot ever forget the party which made him an MLA and Minister, Ramdas said that he did not sit quiet in his home even though he was denied ticket. "I visited every house in the Constituency and sought votes for the party candidate Srivatsa. Many times I had food in the home of party workers. It is the efforts of the party workers that the BJP had strong Booths. KR Constituency is known for its organisational strength throughout the country," he said and called upon the party workers to ensure victory of BJP candidates in all the 19 Wards of the MCC for which polls are due later this year.

KR Constituency in-Charge Hirendra Shah and MLC Keshava Prasad also spoke. Several Booth level party workers were felicitated on the occasion.

BJP State Vice-President M. Rajendra, District President Mangala Somashekar, former MLCs Siddaraju and Thontadarya, Mayor Shivakumar, Deputy Mayor Dr. G. Roopa, leaders Vadivelu, Raghu Kautilya, Yashaswi Somashekar, M.V. Ravishankar, B. Niranjan Murthy, Mirle Srinivas Gowda and M. Shivakumar, Corporators B.V. Manjunath, M.C. Ramesh, M.V. Ramprasad, Sharadamma, Shantamma, Champaka, Geetashri Yoganand and Chayadevi, District Brahmins Association President D.T. Prakash and others were present.

New Chamaraja MLA vows to shut down hookah bars, gambling dens

Mysuru, May 21 (MTY&BS)- Newly elected MLA of Chamaraja Assembly Constituency K. Harishgowda has vowed to shut down hookah bars and gambling dens that are being run with the blessings of some people in the Constituency, for the safety of the youths.

Addressing media persons at Pathrakartara Bhavan in city on Thursday, Harishgowda said: "The State was under BJP rule for the last four years and the Chamaraja Constituency had a BJP MLA for five years. Still, illicit activities like hookah bar and gambling den were going on unabated, with the rise in casino, swindling money from the youths."

"I had shut down a casino at Vontikoppal after bringing it to the notice of City Police Commissioner. The then Higher Education Minister Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan had spoken to me over phone to say that the casino belongs to his relative and not to disturb them. BJP men are behind such activities, but the defeated BJP candidate and previous MLA of Chamaraja Constituency L. Nagendra has attributed my victory to the support of hookah bar owners, only to hide his failures," alleged Harishgowda.

"I am not aware about any hookah bars and I was also not holding any powerful position earlier. But why didn't the then MLA Nagendra take any action to check such illegal activities," asked Gowda.

"It is agreed that recreation clubs are needed to beat the stress, but not gambling dens. The youths are being diverted and to stop them from taking to vices, the gambling dens must be closed. I will act in this regard by bringing to the notice of the Chief Minister and the people will also endorse my decision, said Gowda in a confident tone.

"I will also honestly work towards realising the promises made during the election. For the last 25 years, those without a roof of their own have been waiting for houses. Those people waiting for the houses after paying their share of instalments under Government Scheme, will be given due priority, followed by others. Barring the development works initiated during the five year rule of Chief Minister Siddharamaiah (2013 to 2018), no other development works are carried out in the Constituency," added Gowda.

There is a lack of adequate infrastructural facilities at the new District Hospital, Trauma Care Centre among several other new hospitals, that were built during the previous tenure of Siddharamaiah. There is also a lack of nurses at those hospitals, hindering health services, said Gowda.

"Cutting across party lines, the workers of all the three parties have contributed to my victory in the election. Even former MLA Vasu extended his support, by giving advises daily over phone. I will be indebted to all those who worked for my victory and will render service by retaining their faith in me," assured Gowda.

City Congress President R. Murthy, District President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar, former Mayors T.B. Chikkanna, Pushpalatha Chikkanna and M.C. Rajeshwari Puttaswamy, Corporator J. Gopi and Pailwan Srinivas were present.

Cabinet gives in-principle nod for five poll guarantees

Bengaluru, May 21- Just minutes after Siddharamaiah was sworn in as the Chief Minister and D.K. Shivakumar as Deputy Chief Minister, along with eight others as Cabinet Ministers of the new Congress Government on Saturday, the Karnataka Cabinet in its maiden Budget meeting yesterday afternoon, accorded 'In-principle' approval to implement the Congress Party's five guarantees.

Chief Minister Siddharamaiah addressing the media persons in Vidhana Soudha yesterday. Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar and Cabinet Ministers are seen.

The first Cabinet meeting was held at Vidhana Soudha after Siddharamaiah took oath as the new Chief Minister at the sprawling Sree Kanteerava Stadium here yesterday. The Congress party's five poll guarantees are 200 units of free power to all households (Gruhajyothi scheme), Rs. 2,000 monthly assistance to the woman head of every family (Gruha Lakshmi), 10 Kgs of Rice for free to every member of a BPL family (Anna Bhagya), Rs. 3,000 monthly allowance to unemployed Graduate youths and Rs. 1,500 monthly allowance to unemployed Diploma holders (Yuvanidhi) and free travel for women in Public transport buses (Shakti).

Speaking after the Cabinet meeting along with DCM D.K. Shivakumar and his eight other cabinet colleagues, Siddharamaiah said "The five guarantees have been agreed upon. We will not go back on the promises for any reason," he said, adding that the assurances would be fulfilled notwithstanding any financial implications.

The CM said the initial estimation of the Government is that the implementation of the guarantees would cost the exchequer Rs. 50,000 crore a year. The assurances promised before the elections would be implemented after the next Cabinet meeting, he added. During the campaign for the May 10 elections, Congress leaders including Rahul Gandhi repeatedly assured the voters that these five guarantees would be approved in the first Cabinet meeting after Congress comes to power.

As announced, the newly sworn-in Congress Government headed by Siddharamaiah has given in-principle approval for the implementation of the guarantees. Many political observers believe that the promise of guarantees found resonance with the people during the campaigning, particularly women and played a key role in the victory of the Congress in the Assembly polls.

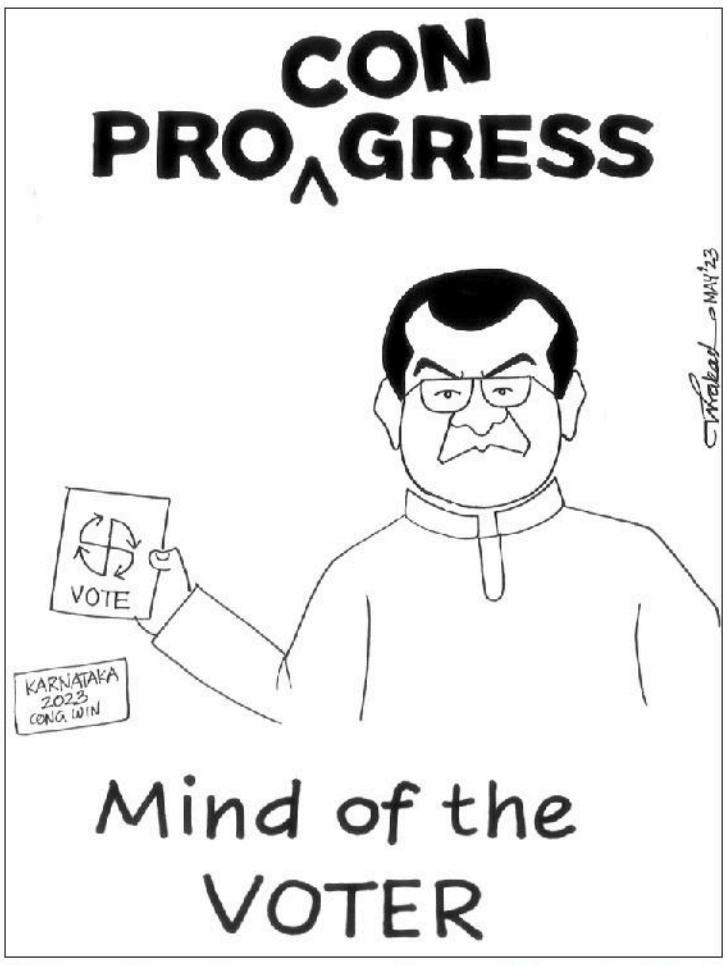
Three-day Assembly session from tomorrow

Chief Minister Siddharamaiah on Saturday said the Assembly session will be convened for three days from May 22 to 24, during which the newly elected MLAs will be administered oath and a new Speaker will be elected.

"We are calling the Assembly session for three days from May 22 to 24. We have requested the Governor to convene the session as the new Assembly has to be constituted before May 24. Also, senior most MLA R.V. Deshpande has been requested to be the Pro-tem Speaker to administer oath to newly elected MLAs," Siddharamaiah said adding that while the first two-days (May 22 and 23) will be reserved for oath taking of the MLAs, the election of the Speaker of the new Assembly will take place on the third day (May 24).

TEASER

By N. Prakash



'Budget session in July'

Bengaluru, May 21- Chief Minister Siddharamaiah said the Budget session of the new Assembly will be held in July.

Speaking to presspersons after the first Cabinet meeting here yesterday, Siddharamaiah said the new Government's first Budget will be presented in July. Pointing out that the current Budget size is Rs. 3.10 lakh crore, he said this size will be expanded to Rs.3.25 lakh crore, so as to make provision for implementation of the five guarantees.

Asserting that all Indira Canteens in the State will be revived, Siddharamaiah said he has directed the officials to provide inputs on the current status of the canteens.

The Indira Canteens were established across the State by the previous Siddharamaiah headed Congress Government (2013 to 2018).

Wild elephant shot dead in Kushalnagar

Kushalnagar/Pollibetta, May 21 (Akshay&KS)- A wild female elephant was shot dead and its carcass was found in a private estate at Balugodu in Kushalnagar taluk of Kodagu district yesterday.

It is said that, the elephant aged about 18 years was shot dead by miscreants last night.

Divisional Forest Officer (DFO) of Kodagu Shivaram Babu, Range Forest Officer (RFO) Shivaram, Deputy RFOs Anil D'Souza, Devaiah and Ranjan and Rapid Response Team (RRT) personnel visited the spot this morning and conducted an inspection.

DFO Shivaram Babu said that "They received information about the wild elephant shot at a private estate late last night. When we conducted an inspection this morning, two empty cartriges were also found at the spot."

Continuing, the DFO said that investigation is going on and they have got information about the killers, whose identification will be revealed only after the completion of the investigation, besides stating that the miscreants will be nabbed soon.

Wild elephant menace continues in Pollibetta

Though the recent incident of wild elephant attacking estate workers at Maskal Coffee Estate in Pollibetta, Kodagu, in which one Bobby (57), sustained serious injuries and later succumbed to injuries at a private hospital in Mysuru on May 18 is still fresh in the minds of the people, especially estate workers, a similar incident of wild elephant attacking a group of women workers on Pollibetta-Chennangi connecting road has been reported. Luckily, the women workers managed to flee from the spot.

A group of about five women workers were returning home after work, when the wild elephant tried to attack them at about 5 pm. The women, who saw the wild elephant emerging out from a coffee estate all of a sudden, the women, in a bid to save themselves fled from the spot and saved their lives.

Following the incident, women estate workers Manjula, Pushpa, Kavitha, Shobha and others have urged the Forest Department officials to prevent such recurring incidents.

Forest Department officials and staff, who visited the coffee estate, are taking steps to drive away the herd of elephants from the coffee estate, back to the forest.

Dr. Alok Mohan is new DG&IGP

Alok Mohan

Bengaluru, May 21 - The State Government yesterday gave IPS officer Alok Mohan additional charge of Director General & Inspector General of Police (DG&IGP) of the State.

The position fell vacant after the recent appointment of DGP Praveen Sood as CBI Director.

Dr. Alok Mohan, Director General of Police & Commandant General, Home Guards has been given the additional charge along with the post of Chairman of Karnataka State Police Housing Corporation, Bengaluru with effect from May 22.

Dr. Alok Mohan is 1987 batch Karnataka cadre IPS officer. He has the experience of working in various divisions of the department during the last 36 years. He was the Joint Commissioner (Crime) of Bengaluru City Division, ACB and ADGP. He is due to retire in April 2025.

Senior advocate Shashi Kiran Shetty appointed as new Advocate General

Shashi Kiran Shetty

Bengaluru, May 21- The State Government has appointed senior Advocate and retired Lokayukta Justice P. Vishwanath Shetty's son Shashi Kiran Shetty as the new Advocate General (AG) of the State.

He succeeds Prabhuling K. Navadgi, who served as the AG during the previous BJP regime.

Upon the Congress Government taking charge, discussions were held regarding the appointment of a new Advocate General. The names of senior lawyers such as Prof. K. Ravivarma Kumar, Kantaraj, Shashikiran Shetty, Vikram Huyilagola, Sandesha Chowta and A.G. Shivanna were being considered. Finally, Shashikiran Shetty was chosen for this key post. Shetty is an alumnus of National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Bengaluru where he graduated with BA LLB (Hons) in 1998.

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KSRTC's e-bus service has over 1,000 daily customers

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Pulling premium customers

In fact, the timing of the electric bus introduction matched perfectly with the inauguration of the Mysuru-Bengaluru Expressway and the KSRTC placed a significant bet on this service.

Launching the service, the KSRTC is attracting premium customers, who typically prefer train travel and is offering an eco-friendly and air-conditioned e-bus service.

Many passengers have hailed the accessibility, affordability, comfort, travel time, punctuality and convenience offered by the e-buses. As the buses are offering a comfortable and affordable journey, it is giving tough competition to the Railways that is operating premium services between Mysuru and Bengaluru in addition to a host of other regular trains.

Comparison with train travel

The Railways is operating two premium services — Vande Bharat Express and Shatabdi Express — and both trains have an average journey time of two hours between Mysuru and Bengaluru. The AC chair car fare for Vande Bharat Express ranges from Rs. 500 to Rs. 700 which is inclusive of meals. A journey in Shatabdi Express is Rs. 315 and the fare increases based on demand or last-minute bookings due to the dynamic pricing policy.

Compare this with the EV Power Plus service where the fares are Rs. 320 and Rs. 340 with a travel time of approximately 2.30 to 2.45 hours between the two cities.

Popularity and pricing

It may be mentioned here that the journey time will reduce further to 2.15 to 2.30 hours once the Expressway is fully operational. However, the entire toll charge will be added to the ticket price once the full-fledged toll collection begins.

It remains to be seen how much fare will be charged on these buses and the popular public response might hinge on the pricing factor also.

With the popularity of e-buses, the KSRTC is also receiving positive feedback from environmental groups. The Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) has said that the introduction of electric buses is a positive step towards reducing air pollution.

The KSPCB has said that it is working with KSRTC to ensure that the buses are properly maintained and operated. This will help to ensure that they continue to provide a clean and comfortable travel experience for passengers.

Many advantages of e-buses

- These buses are more environmental-friendly than traditional buses, as they do not produce emissions that contribute to air pollution.
- They are quieter than traditional buses, which can make for a more pleasant travel experience for passengers.
- They are more reliable than traditional buses, as they are less likely to break down.
- They are more efficient than traditional buses, as they require less energy to operate.

75 pet dogs steal the show at NIE College fest

Mysuru, May 21 (MTY&KS)- Over 75 dogs from 22 breeds took part in the Pet Show, organised jointly by the Student Council of The National Institute of Engineering (NIE) and Canine Club of Mysore, at the Diamond Jubilee Complex at NIE South Campus in city this morning.

The event is being held as part of TECHNIEKS, the annual College Fest.

The event was inaugurated by Canine Club of Mysore President B.P. Manjunath and retired Deputy Director of the Animal Husbandry Department Dr. Rajashekar.

Breeds such as German Shepherd, Pit Bull, Shih Tzu, Belgian Malinois, Golden Retriever, Saint Bernard, Great Dane, Siberian Husky and Mudhol among other breeds are taking part in the day-long Pet Show.

Abhishek Parashivamurthy and B.P. Manjunath were the judges.

Students were seen crowding the place and clicking selfies with their favourite dogs.

Prizes to the winners will be distributed during the valedictory function of TECHNIEKS, to be held in the College soon.

NIE Student Council President Deekshith Gowda, General Secretary Aikaaz Areeb, Joint Secretary Sarthak P. Gowda, Cultural Secretary Prekshita Bangera, Cultural Joint Secretary Sudeep Kumar and Dog Show coordinator Neeraj M. Gowda and others were present.

Seven arrested; four still on the run

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Chandru's murder took place on the evening of May 18. He was sitting in front of a tailor shop in Vontikoppal when a gang of youths arrived on three motorcycles and attacked him with lethal weapons, including a sharp and long object with a curved edge and a cudgel.

After the assault, the gang fled the scene in their vehicles. Two other individuals on another motorcycle had provided information about Chandru's movements to the accused, aiding in the execution of the crime.

The V.V. Puram Police registered a case and initiated an investigation, while City Police Commissioner Ramesh Banoth formed four separate teams under the leadership of ACP of Narasimharaja Sub-Division C.K. Ashwath Narayan, ACP of Devaraja Sub-Division Shanthamallappa, ACP of City Crime Branch (CCB) Sandesh Kumar and Inspector of Mandi Police Station Yogesh to track down the accused at their hideouts.

It has been revealed during the interrogation that the accused had previous animosity with Chandru, which escalated from a minor scuffle. They had even made an attempt to harm Chandru nine days prior to the murder but had to abort their plan when a passing car interrupted them near Panchavati Circle at 9.30 pm on that day.

Unaware of this failed attempt, Chandru was casually spending time in front of the tailor shop on the ill-fated day that led to his tragic killing. Following the murder, the suspects purchased liquor and sought refuge at a farmhouse in the outskirts of Yelwal. The Police are now intensifying efforts to locate the remaining four individuals involved in the case, who are believed to be hiding near H.D. Kote.

The possibility of the crime being motivated by a long-standing rivalry related to the Hunsur double murder case and the Paduvarahalli murder case of Paduvarahalli Devendra, also known as Devu, cannot be ruled out.

Hours after a grand swearing-in ceremony

CPI-M flays Congress for not inviting Kerala, Telangana CMs

- Dinesh Gundu Rao skips event
- B.K. Hariprasad remains incommunicado

Bengaluru, May 21 (UNI & Agencies)- Hours after the swearing-in of Chief Minister Siddharamaiah and his deputy D.K. Shivakumar in Bengaluru yesterday, CPI-M expressed dissatisfaction with the Congress for not inviting the Kerala and Telangana Chief Ministers to the event.

Expressing disappointment over the absence of Pinarayi Vijayan and K. Chandrashekar Rao at the Sri Kanteerava Stadium event, former CPI-M General Secretary Prakash Karat urged the Congress to overcome its narrow-mindedness and prioritise the broader objective of Opposition unity.

Karat, speaking at an E.K. Nayanar commemoration event in Kannur yesterday, emphasised that the Congress should abandon its myopic focus on State-level interests and instead concentrate on fostering the unity of all democratic and secular forces to combat the BJP in the upcoming 2024 Parliamentary elections. He pointed out that while Congress might consider itself a major force, it should acknowledge that other parties are also actively opposing the BJP across the country, including in Telangana where the BJP's influence is growing.

Left Democratic Front Convener E.P. Jayarajan, criticised the Congress for its immaturity and lack of direction in disregarding Pinarayi's exclusion from the ceremony.

Dinesh Gundu Rao 'missing'

Meanwhile, former Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee President Dinesh Gundu Rao was noticeably absent from the swearing-in ceremony, with his followers stating that he was suffering from a 'high fever' and was in Delhi at the time. Notably, Rao's name was not included in the list of Ministers in the first batch.

D.K. Shivakumar replaced Dinesh Gundu Rao as the KPCC President in December 2019 after Rao resigned, taking responsibility for the party's poor performance in the Karnataka by-polls.

Rao's supporters mentioned that he had no intention of attending the ceremony, and they were also puzzled as to why only eight Ministers were sworn-in when at least 10 could have been included, including Rao.

Additionally, the names of B.K. Hariprasad and Krishna Byre Gowda were also absent from the initial Ministerial list. Hariprasad had remained in Bengaluru after the election results were announced, hoping to secure a place in the Cabinet. However, he has since turned off his phone and has not been in contact with the party leadership.

If Dinesh Gundu Rao, Hariprasad and Krishna Byre Gowda do not find their names on the list, it could pose difficulties for the new Government. It is worth noting that the list of the eight Ministers was released by Congress General Secretary K.C. Venugopal instead of CM Siddharamaiah, which has raised some eyebrows due to the authority typically resting with the CM to announce his Ministers.

Malaria-free Mysuru district awaits official announcement

Fish tank built in the premises of Community Health Centre in Saligrama of Mysuru District. Picture right shows District Vector-Borne Diseases Control Officer Dr. S. Chidambara releasing fishlings to a pond at Siddarthanagar in the city.

By M.B. Pavan Murthy

Mysuru, May 21- Malaria was once a life-threatening fever that has become a passé in Mysuru district in the year 2017 itself. Since then no case of Malaria has been reported in the district making it 'Malaria-free' but awaits official announcement in this regard.

A six-member team of experts of Independent Assessment Committee, including those of the State and Centre, are expected to evaluate the eligibility for official announcement, during their tentative visit to the district from May 23 to 25. They will take stock of the prevailing conditions and submit a report.

The Committee will study whether the measures taken to bring down Malaria cases to zero are in compliance with the parameters of the Government? Whether the blood samples are collected and tests are conducted in an adequate manner? Several such parameters will be studied and the evaluation report will be submitted to the Centre which is authorised to make announcement of Malaria-free district.

District Vector-Borne Diseases Control Officer Dr. S. Chidambara told *Star of Mysore*, "The evaluation to declared Malaria-free District should have been carried out in 2020, but was postponed due to COVID-19 pandemic situation. Now, the time permits for evaluation. But the challenge remains over keeping the district Malaria-free, as the chances of recurrence cannot be ignored."

The target is to make the State Malaria-free by the year 2025. If no cases (of Malaria) are reported for consecutive three years, such districts will be declared Malaria-free on the basis of relevant conditions. For the last five to six years, no deaths caused due to Malaria are reported in any of the districts in the State including Mysuru.

Malaria is caused due to parasites born out of Plasmodium Vivax and Plasmodium Falciparum, which are commonly found in humans. Along with them, Plasmodium Ovale and Plasmodium Malariae are also found. Of the total 70 types of Malaria, only these four are commonly found among the humans. Plasmodium Vivax and Plasmodium Falciparum are most reported in India, explained Dr. Chidambara.

Female Anopheles Mosquito

Malaria is caused due to the bite of female Anopheles Mosquito. They are more seen during rainy season and will be flying in a circular manner like a wheel over the head soon after dusk. If you try to catch hold of these mosquitoes in the fist, you will get a handful of them. The eggs of these mosquitoes can be seen in potholes with water. They travel up to three km and their rate of reproduction is more in rainy season, says Dr. S. Chidambara. As rainwater accumulates in potholes and low-lying areas in rainy season, the chances of these mosquitoes breeding are more. If the water accumulates for 14 days, two batches of larvae will grow. During other seasons, the mosquitoes are seen in lake or pond water.

Dr. Chidambara

Anopheles Mosquito

Falciparum is fatal

Plasmodium Vivax infects 90 percent to 95 percent of people, while Plasmodium Falciparum infects five percent to 10 percent of people. Vivax is not fatal, when compared to Falciparum which is fatal, with symptoms of brain fever and also affects kidney and liver. Hence in this case, timely treatment is vital. Vviax though doesn't cause damages to that extent, destroys Red Blood Cells (RBC) and leads to anaemia.

The chances of people irrespective of children, men and women getting infected by Malaria cannot be ruled out. Even though no cases of Malaria are reported in the district, we have been still collecting blood samples and conducting tests. In the case of Malaria, the person suffers from high fever and end up at hospital unable to bear the fever. Hence it is easy to identify and treat the same. Free treatment is provided both at the Government Hospitals and Health Centres. Be it any fever, Malaria test is conducted and is even conducted at the door step of the people, added Dr. Chidambara.

Mysuru District Statistics

No cases of Malaria are reported in Mysuru district from 2017 to ongoing year. In the year 2012, there were 72 cases, followed by 63 in 2013, 54 in 2014, 34 in 2015, 43 in 2016, but no deaths were reported during the period.

Anti-Malaria Month in June

To create awareness among the people, Anti-Malaria Month is observed every year in the month of June. The month of June is preceding month of onset of rainy season and hence various awareness programmes will be organised from Primary Health Centre to District-level, including door-to-door visit and jathas.

Symptoms of Malaria

Along with fever, the person having Malaria will be complaining of cold weather, shivering and sweating. Female Anopheles Mosquito is the main cause for Malaria and hence the water tanks and drums in the premises of the houses should be closed. Besides, mosquito net and anti-mosquito control should be used to avoid getting bitten by the mosquito.

Bike stunt at Gruha Shobhe to conclude today

Exhibition open between 11 am and 9 pm till May 28

Bike stunt, the main attraction at Gruha Shobhe — International Trade Fair Exhibition being held at the Maharaja's College Grounds —that began on Friday, will conclude today (May 21). Pictures show the captivating daredevil stunts by bikers last evening. The stunt has been organised as part of 3-day Automobile Expo that will end this evening. However, the main Gruha Shobhe exhibition will end on May 28 and is open between 11 am and 9 pm. The venue will also showcase Interiors and Furniture Expo from May 24 to 28.

WORD OF THE DAY

Florescence

Pronunciation: flor-ESS-unss.
Meaning: Florescence refers to a state or period of being in bloom or of flourishing.
Origin: The flowering of botany as a science in the 18th century produced a garden of English words, mostly adapted from Latin. Florescence is a radiant example, picked from the Latin flōrēscentia, meaning "blossoming." Botanists used it as a showy word to refer to the blooming of a flower. Less literal types appreciated the word too, and applied florescence to anything that seemed to be thriving or flourishing, as in "the highest florescence of a civilization." Flōrēscentia bloomed originally from Latin flōr- or flōs, meaning "flower" and "bloom" (among other things), which English has also to thank for flourish, florid, flora, and flower itself. The list unfurls bounty; from Florida to Florence, flōr-, flōs descendants thrive in abundance.
Example: "Recently, the bright red fruits of two Titan Arums ... have ripened in China National Botanical Garden in China's capital Beijing. Records showed this is the first time that the plants produced fruits under cultivation in a botanical garden across China. Importantly, unlike other plants, Titan Arum flowers occasionally and its florescence is unpredictable, which makes it even more difficult to harvest its fruits." —Chen Na

THE ODD WORD

Filaceous

Composed of threads.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Far from the madding crowd

Meaning: A quiet and rural place.
Origin: This phrase is best known as the title of one of Thomas Hardy's most successful novels. Hardy took the title from Thomas Gray's poem - Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard, 1751:
'Far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife,
Their sober wishes never learn'd to stray;
Along the cool sequester'd vale of life
They kept the noiseless tenor of their way.' Rabbit Idioms #shorts
'Madding' - a word hardly ever used outside this expression.
It is possible that Gray was also alluding to earlier works: by William Drummond, circa 1614: "Farre from the madding Worldlings hoarse discords." or by Edmund Spenser, 1579: "But now from me hys madding mynd is starte, And woes the Widdowes daughter of the glenne."
Whether Gray was referring to a specific churchyard isn't clear. It is well recorded though that Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard was written, at least in part, in a churchyard at Stoke Poges in Buckinghamshire.

QUOTE BOX

The best way to find out if you can trust somebody is to trust them.

—Ernest Hemingway.

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: High dive.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Owns
4 Pithy material used in making a hat?
8 Rajasthan's Mount ____
11 Adolf's bride
12 Odds and ____?
14 French article
15 Church bench
16 Haggard
17 Conditions
18 Sunny or Esha of Bollywood
20 Therefore; hence
22 Garden pest
24 Malay skirt
26 Mexican money
27 Map part
28 To this point in time
29 NW US state
30 Singing syllable
33 Emitting fumes
34 Thug
35 Three times
37 Eye part
38 Accompanying
39 Expression or period as of office
41 Cover
42 Thespian
45 Subside or abate
48 First number
49 Cricket ground in London
50 Marshal at Waterloo
51 Former Russian abbreviation
52 Adam ___ : the famous poetic character?
53 Golfer's mound

DOWN
1 With it
2 ___ Maria : famous hymn?
3 Fine wood particles
4 Desert bloom
5 Elliptical
6 Rumanian coin
7 Popular girl's name - "Nan" anagram?
8 Join the edges
9 Confuse or obscure
10 United State Steamship, abbr.
13 Sound system
19 Self-esteem
21 Decay usually accompanied by an offensive odour
22 Engage in espionage
23 Martial arts great Bruce ___
24 The viper is our only poisonous one
25 Gray; deathly pale
27 Image or icon
29 Capital of Manipur
30 Disturb greatly
31 French monarch
32 Responses abbreviation
33 Take a chair
34 Animal sanctuary in Gujarat
35 Identical pair
36 Added clause
39 Lincoln's Mary
40 Gaelic language
41 "L" in L.A. the famous city?
43 Adult male swan
44 Three in Italy
46 Honey maker
47 Parting word

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

I	T	E	■	■	K	L	S	■	H	D	M	I
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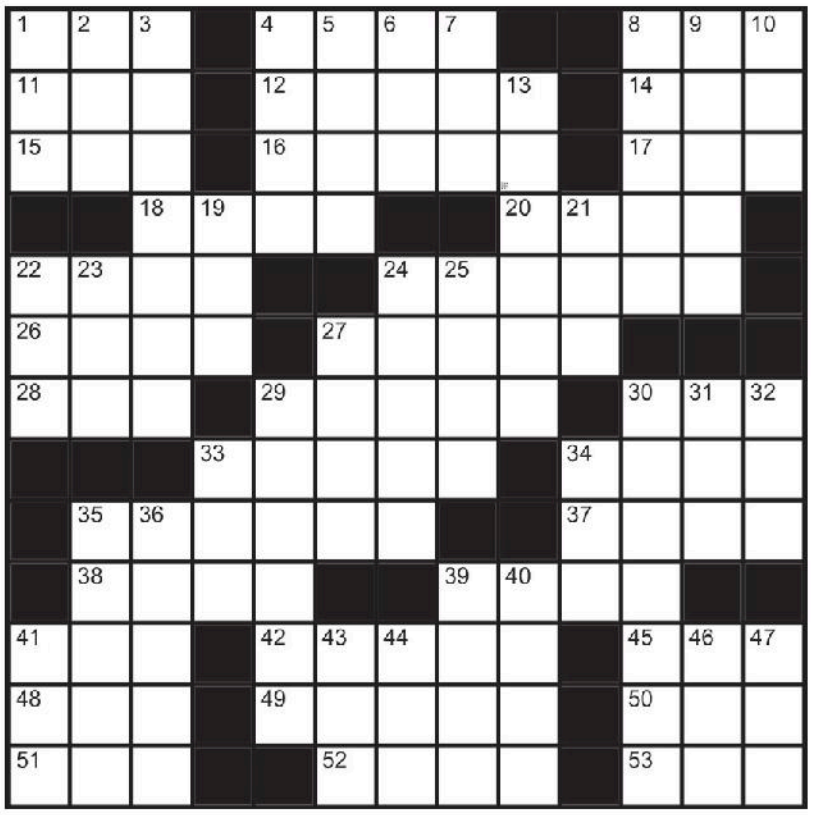

SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

7	3	6	5	8	2	1	9	4
9	5	1	4	7	3	8	6	2
8	4	2	6	9	1	7	3	5
3	7	5	9	4	6	2	1	8
6	2	4	7	1	8	3	5	9
1	9	8	2	3	5	4	7	6
2	1	3	8	6	9	5	4	7
5	6	7	1	2	4	9	8	3
4	8	9	3	5	7	6	2	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

QU IQB WBNNFZT FGDMTZFWU FT UXUY NLKU

NBYU IYUZWQUK ZQLG QU IQB TMHHUYT FZ.

TODAY'S CLUE: Q EQUALS H

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: If you are in banking and lending, surprise outcomes are likely to be negative for you.

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  Daredevil Musthafa (K) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Pichaikkaran 2 (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — **Ph: 2452958**
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  Sreemanta (K) - 4 Shows
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  Fast X (E) -2 Shows; The Kerala Story (H) - 2 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — **Ph: 2497199**
  Kisi Ka Bhai Kisi Ki Jaan (H) - 4 Shows
- **Uma Theatre** — **Ph: 2520009**
  Day and Someone (Te) - 4 Shows

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The Kerala Story (H)	(S-1)	10.25 am 1.20 pm, 4.05 pm 7.00 pm, 9.50 pm
Daredevil Musthafa (K)	(S-2)	10.05 am, 6.50 pm
Guardians of Galaxy-3 (E-3D)	(S-2)	1.10 pm
Jersey Number 10 (K)	(S-2)	4.05 pm
Raghavendra Stores (K)	(S-2)	10.00 pm; (S-3) 7.30 pm
Evil Dead Rise (E)	(S-3)	11.00 am
Pichaikkaran 2 (Ta)	(S-3)	1.20 pm, 4.25 pm
Charles Enterprises (Ma)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Fast X (E-3D)	(S-4)	10.45 am, 1.35 pm 4.25 pm, 7.15 pm, 10 pm

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Daredevil Musthafa (K)	:	1.00 pm
Shivaji Surathkal 2 (K)	:	1.00 pm, 6.40 pm
Pichaikkaran 2 (Ta)	:	1.15 pm, 6.10 pm
The Kerala Story (H)	:	1.30 pm, 4.15 pm 7.00 pm, 9.00 pm
The Kerala Story (Ma)	:	7.45 pm
Jersey Number 10 (K)	:	4.00 pm
Ponniyin Selvan - Part 2 (Ta)	:	4.00 pm
Raghavendra Stores (K)	:	9.00 pm

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Jersey Number 10 (K)	:	10.00 am
The Kerala Story (H)	:	10.15 am, 12.20 pm, 1.15 pm 4.15 pm, 7.15 pm, 9.45 pm, 10.15 pm
Fast X (E-3D)	:	10.30 am, 1.30 pm, 3.20 pm 4.30 pm, 7:30 pm, 9:30 pm, 10.30 pm
Daredevil Musthafa (K)	:	11.30 am
Anni Manchi Sakunamule (Te)	:	12.00 noon, 7 pm
IB71 (H)	:	12.50 pm
Suzume (Japanese)	:	2.50 pm
Charles Enterprises (Ma)	:	3.30 pm
Pichaikkaran 2 (Ta)	:	3.45 pm, 10.25 pm
Guardians of Galaxy 3 (E-3D)	:	6.20 pm
2018 (Ma)	:	6.35 pm
Anuragam (Ma)	:	10.00 pm

Trailers Screening Show - multi language : 11.35 am

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Fast X (E-3D)	:	10.00 am, 1.00 pm, 4.00 pm 7.00 pm, 10:00 pm
Suman (K)	:	10:00 am
The Kerala Story (H)	:	10.30 am, 12.05 pm, 1.30 pm 4.30 pm, 6.30 pm, 7.30 pm 9.30 pm, 10:30 pm
Pichaikkaran 2 (Ta)	:	12.55 pm, 6.35 pm
Ponniyin Selvan - Part 2 (Ta)	:	3.05 pm
Raghavendra Stores (K)	:	4.10 pm
2018 (Ma)	:	9.50 pm

EVENTS TODAY (MAY 21)

- **JSS Mysore Urban Haat, Mysuru:** Gujarat Handicrafts Utsav, Urban Haat premises, Hebbal Industrial Area, Ring Road, **up to 8 pm.**
- **Gruha Shobhe:** Trade Fair, Maharaja's College Grounds, **up to 9 pm.**
- **The Department of Physical Education, University of Mysore, Navodaya Cricket Club and Jai Hind Cricket Club:** Valedictory of 'Legends Premier League - T10 Cricket Tournament,' prizes distribution, Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar (SDNR Wadiyar) Cricket Stadium, Manasagangothri, **4 pm.**
- **IASIAMUSIC:** SAATHI, a musical programme of old and new Kannada and Hindi songs in memory of legendary singer of Mysuru late Mohammed Zaheeruddin, Kalamandira, Hunsur Road, **4.30 pm.** [Mob: 96866-28990 or 72044-14712]
- **H.L. Prasanna's Sneha Balaga:** Programme to pay tributes to retd. Engineer-in-Chief H.L. Prasanna and awareness programme on Large Intestine Cancer, Negilayogi Maruleshwara Seva Bhavana, opposite new Law Courts Complex, K.G. Koppal, Jayanagar, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti:** Discourse on 'Padma Purana' by Pt. Aniruddhachar Pandurangi, Sri Raghavendraswamy Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm.**
- **Gaana Lahari:** Musical event 'Thaigondu Namana' dedicated to all mothers (the event marks Mother's Day - May 14) and also the birthday of crazy star Ravichandran - May 21), Ganabharathi's Veene Seshanna Bhavan, Kuvempunagar, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:** 'Veena Gana Sambhrama' — Centenary Year of **Vid. Sri M. J. Sreenivasa Iyengar;** Veena Concert by Vid. Mudikondan S.N. Ramesh accompanied by Vid. B.R. Sridhar on mridanga and Vid.Sharath Kaushik on ghata, Sabha premises, JLB Road, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Raghavendra Swamy Brindavana Sannidhana, Krishnamurthypuram:** 76th Brindavana Pratishtana Vardhantyotsava Jnanasatra, discourse on 'Srimad Bhagavad Gita' by Pt. Kapilacharya Galagali, Dharwad, Tatva Jnana Mandira, Mutt premises, Krishnamurthypuram, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Aghaharanandaji speaks on 'Sodara Sanyasigalondige Swami Vivekanandaru,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Natana School of Theatre Arts:** Staging of play 'Kaniveya Haadu' by Natana, written by Athol Fugard and translated by Dr. Meera Murthy, directed by Dr. Sripada Bhat, music by Anush Shetty and Munna, Natana premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Niranthara Foundation, Mysuru and Nypunya School of Excellence, Mysuru:** Valedictory of Ranga Vasantha-2023, BBMP Special Commissioner Jayaram Rayapura, Nrupatunga Kannada School Secretary Savitha and Hosakote Basavaraju of Karnataka State Farmers Association, **6.15 pm;** Staging of play 'Varasudara' by Niranthara, directed by Prasad Kundoor, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **7 pm.**
- **Rangayana, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Hanush,' written by Bhisham Sahni, translated by Dakshayini Somashekar and directed by Chittaranjan Giri, Bhoomigeeta auditorium, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAY 22)

- **JSS Mysore Urban Haat, Mysuru:** Gujarat Handicrafts Utsav, Urban Haat premises, Hebbal Industrial Area, Ring Road, **10 am to 8 pm.**
- **Gruha Shobhe:** Trade Fair, Maharaja's College Grounds, **11 am to 9 pm.**
- **Indian Theatre Foundation:** Interaction on 'Rangayana,' Venkataraju Krishnamurthy and K. Marulasiddappa will be present; Pandavani (a folk form of Madhya Pradesh) by Seema Ghosh, Mini Theatre, Rangayana premises, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti:** Discourse on 'Padma Purana' by Pt. Aniruddhachar Pandurangi, Raghavendraswamy Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5pm.**
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The Kerala Story (H)	(S-2)	10 am, 12.55 pm, 3.50 pm 6.45 pm, 9.40 pm
	(S-3)	11 am, 1.55 pm 4.50 pm, 10.30 pm
Fast X (E-3D)	(S-4)	9.30 am
	(S-1)	10.30 am, 1.30 pm, 4.30 pm 7.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Daredevil Musthafa (K)	(S-4)	6.50 pm
Pichaikaran - 2 (Ta)	(S-4)	12.20 pm, 10.05 pm
Anuragam (Ma)	(S-3)	7.45 pm
KGF-1 (K)	(S-4)	3.30 pm
Trailer Screening Show	(S-3)	10.20 am

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Pichaikkaran 2 (Ta)	:	9.50 am, 3.45 pm
Fast X (E-3D)	:	10.00 am, 1.00 pm, 4.00 pm 7.00 pm, 9.00 pm, 10:00 pm
The Kerala Story (H)	:	10.50 am, 1.45 pm, 3.10 pm 4.40 pm, 6.05 pm, 7.35 pm, 10.30 pm
Garuda Gamana ... (K)	:	11.00 am
Jersey Number 10 (K)	:	12.50 pm
Charles Enterprises (Ma)	:	6.55 pm
Sreemanta (K)	:	9.55 pm

Trailers Screening Show (multi language) : 2:30 pm

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TODAY'S MATCHES (MAY 21)

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— 3.30 pm
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RCB Vs GT
— 7.30 pm
M. Chinnaswamy Stadium, Bengaluru

PLAY-OFF TUESDAY'S MATCH (MAY 23)

GT Vs CSK
— 7.30 pm
M.A. Chidambaram Stadium, Chennai

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

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